

**Planning, Economic Development,
Environmental and Intergovernmental Affairs
Wednesday, March 23, 2022 @ 11:00 AM
Chambers**

MINUTES

**11:00 Call Meeting to Order
AM**

Meeting was called to order by Moses at 11:02 A.M.

Committee Members Present: Cliff Moses, Ronda Winn, and Dave Jones (zoom).

Others Present: Ellen Bowe, Ryan Coe, Melissa During (zoom 11:12), Cindy Edick, Melissa Martel Felton, Scott Flaherty (zoom), Scott Ingmire, Jamie Kowalczyk, Becky Marsala, Larkin Podsiedlik, Lou Anne Randall, Mark Scimone, and Gwen Williamson.

Motion by Dave Jones to Approve February 23 2022 Planning Committee Minutes.
Second by Ronda Winn. The motion was Passed.

Absent: Magliocca, Stokes

Approval of Minutes

- Planning Committee Minutes February 23 2022

Planning/Employment and Training:

1. Sales Tax Update

Cindy Edick presented the Sales Tax Update. The 2022 distributions are ahead of the 2021 distributions by 23.78%. Edick also reported on the increase according to NYSAC between 2020 and 2021 regarding gasoline/vehicle sales.

2. Real Property Update

Becky Marsala presented the Real Property Update. There are 144 parcels to be included in the auction this year. The auction will be online again this year with an end date of September 15th.

3. Career Center Update

Ellen Bowe presented the Career Center Update. She thanked Ryan for his assistance with the updated flyers that were included in the meeting packet. There is a job fair scheduled for April 26 from 10-12 at the White Eagle. An event is being planned for high school seniors to meet employers in the near future; more information to follow. A report of the NYS Rate of Unemployment by County of Residence was shared, showing Madison County at a rate of 4%.

4. IDA Update

Scott Ingmire presented the IDA Update as submitted by Kipp Hicks. Hartman Enterprises Inc. received an award letter for ESD funding which could allow them to relocate and expand. International Boxing Hall of Fame is still trying to get NYS Legislative approval for NYS Thruway Authority to gift the land they are on to an IDA subsidiary so the IBHOF can have ownership - resulting in long-term expansion of their footprint and impact on Madison County Tourism. The City of Oneida's Downtown Revitalization Initiative has received roughly 12 additional proposals from the "open call" for projects in the DRI area. Vetting and ranking for potential state funding will occur over the next 3+ months. Hicks has been touring downtown buildings, meeting developers and making connections for proposed projects and he recently presented a DRI Overview to the Oneida Chamber of Commerce. IDA closed on the Flour & Salt loan from the County's Revolving Loan Fund. The Madison County Capital Resource Corp. received an application to refinance bonds for Cazenovia College, requiring the County BOS approval in the near future. Dutchland Plastics has been purchased by Tank Holdings and the expectation is that they will continue production and expand at the Canastota location.

5. CCE Update

Larkin Podsiedlik presented the CCE Update. Congratulations were offered to Larkin for being chosen to continue as the permanent Executive Director. Larkin announced that Kate Preston is being hired for the Ag. in the Classroom position. The AED programs have been very active, reaching 162 participants. There is a workshop coming up in April called "Getting to Grant Ready". July 30th is Open Farm Day and April 7th is the grand opening of the Ag. Business Center at 10:30 A.M. The Center will offer technological advantages for Ag-related entities.

6. Tourism Update

Scott Flaherty presented the Tourism Update. The 4th quarter occupancy tax was the highest yet, which may have been affected by inflation. Flaherty said much of it will be allocated to marketing. The spring campaign is focused on outdoors. They are working on advertising shots of the maple syrup experience and parent/child fishing adventures. The annual Tourism meeting is April 14th. The second staff position is now posted. The 2022 guide is at the printer.

7. Planning Update

Scott Ingmire presented the Planning Department Update. He shared a presentation on the aquatic vegetation weed harvesting program: the history, the funding, the successes and the challenges of the program to date. The aging of the machinery, challenges of

finding operators and recent changes in rules by DEC (which have caused our funding to become unavailable for the current program) are all causes of concern, The harvesting has not been done in 2 years mostly due to issues caused by the pandemic. Ingmire said it is no longer feasible for this program to be run from the Planning Department. In a conversation with Greg Reuter, the suggestion of an inter-municipal agreement was made. Scimone suggested giving the equipment to one municipality for them to work out the details with the interested municipalities. Winn asked about who will be responsible for maintenance, scheduling, operating, insuring, and more. Mark suggested a meeting with interested supervisors. Scott will send out an email to see what the interest level is. He mentioned that many counties no longer do weed harvesting.

Resolutions:

1. Extending an Agreement with EMJ Premier Services LLC

Motion by Dave Jones to extend an agreement with EMJ Premier Services LLC. Second by Ronda Winn. The motion was Passed.
Absent: Magliocca, Stokes

2. Authorizing the modification of the 2022 adopted county budget - Aquatic Vegetation

Motion by Ronda Winn to Authorize the modification of the 2022 adopted county budget - Aquatic Vegetation. Second by Dave Jones. The motion was Passed.
Absent: Magliocca, Stokes

3. Calling for a public hearing regarding the submission of a Cares Act Community Development Block Grant application

Motion by Cliff Moses to call for a public hearing regarding the submission of a CARES Act Community Development Block Grant Application. Second by Ronda Winn. The motion was Passed.
Absent: Magliocca, Stokes

Preferred Agenda

It was the consensus of the Committee to allow any eligible resolutions from today's meeting to be added to the preferred agenda. All resolutions were voted on and approved by the Committee. Motion by Cliff Moses to include eligible resolutions in the preferred agenda. Second by Dave Jones. The motion was Passed.

Absent: Magliocca, Stokes

New Business

There was no new business.

Next Meeting:

The next scheduled Planning Committee meeting is April 27, 2022 at 11:00

AM in the Supervisors' Chambers.

The Committee entered into executive session for purposes of legal council at 11:49 on a **MOTION** by Winn and seconded by Jones. 3/0/0

The Committee came out of executive session on a **MOTION** by Jones and seconded by Winn.
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Adjourn

Respectfully submitted: Gwen Williamson

Motion by Ronda Winn to to adjourn. Second by Dave Jones. The motion was Passed.

Absent: Magliocca, Stokes

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